

Games in Petersburg To-Day Will Decide Champs

GOOBERS IN GLOOM AS TIGERS CAPTURE SECOND OF SERIES

Jap Efird and Sally Creiger Fattle for Nine Royal Innings, Breaks Favoring Roanoke Hurler—Excursion From Magic City Accompanied by Band Will Be on Hand for Finish To-Day.

BY GUS MALBERT.

Petersburg, Va., September 6.—What little advantage Heinie Busch gained by defeating Roanoke in the first game of the pennant-deciding series yesterday was lost to-day, when Pressley copped the second, holding the Goobers scoreless while he was pushing two of his warriors around the horn.

So far as the series is concerned, the two clubs stand tonight just where they did before the Tigers began the last invasion of Gooderville. The two games to-morrow will decide, and the Goobers are now forced to extend themselves in order to take both ends of the double-barreled entertainment.

Though given a ball game which should send every spectator home in a pleasant frame of mind, things are not quite as jubilant over here to-night as they were yesterday. Not that the populace has quit. Most of the locals are still firmly impressed that Busch can deliver the calico regardless of anything. The more sober-minded are willing to concede that Roanoke has a chance. As for Busch, he is determination itself, and will never be convinced that he hasn't the very best ball club in any class "C" minor league in this country.

The truth of the matter is that the two clubs are as nearly evenly matched as two clubs can well be. As has been hinted by us before, the breaks are what will count. Certainly Petersburg is not nearly so much of a favorite as Petersburg was last night after winning the first game. Then it looked as if a hitting stride had been struck by the champs which would throw consternation into the hostile camp. To-day that same sticking quality was missing.

Though the Goobers outlasted Roanoke by one inning, lamping the box score one finds that no two of the eight came together, while nearly every one of the Roanoke events were delivered at the proper moment.

Jap Efird didn't really outpitch Sally Creiger as much as the victory makes it appear. One advantage which the visitor had was that he was steadier in the pitcher's box. Both were as true of arm and as sure of eye as the proverbial eight-day clock. It started out in winnowed style and kept up the pace every minute.

There is no question but that both clubs are feeling the strain. Both Busch and Pressley are after the men the moment the game is over, and neither manager is satisfied until certain that his charges are safely tucked away under the covers shortly after the white light burns. That's why the men are on edge and why they are able to give the battles witnessed in these first two games.

Excursion from Roanoke.

But if the players are heated on the anxious bench, the supporters are even more so. We had the pleasure of listening to the Goobers din yesterday and today, and we could almost hear the quivering and trembling of the Roanoke as the news was shot to them over the wire. It was a noisy crowd which the tapping took but to-day it was a yell. Now that the honors are easy, all Roanoke will depend on Gooderville to-day in a special train to catch the home folks and to give them one better, if possible, in locally to the club of course this is no world series, but it is a question whether even a world series could evoke more spontaneous or more sincere enthusiasm than has been and will be shown until the sun sets to-morrow on the hand-covered yard.

Along with the Roanoke contingent will come the best that Roanoke has to offer in the way of its home band. There will be an old-time fiddling, grunting, and creaking and a lot of music. And this Petersburg side, without exception, they say, that no other side, anywhere, has so strong a following. This ball club and they have a life extending their prospective of staying their ground, so to speak, in the unbroken tradition of the home town.

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WASHINGTON WILL WATCH AMATEURS

Battle Axe Club Ready for First Clash With Peppo This Afternoon.

Interest in the intercity championship games between the Battle Axe club of Richmond and the Peppo of Washington is at a high pitch in Washington, in which the first double-header will be played this afternoon. Sportspersons of the national capital are dividing its enthusiasm and interest between the Battle Axe-Peppo and the Washington-Boston games, while the fans and families of Richmond have their interest thrice-split, some giving the Petersburg-Roanoke series their attention, while others lean to the Richmond-Norfolk final games, and at the same time hope that the Battle Axe boys will bring home the honors of the Washington meet.

Because of the great interest manifested here in the Battle Axe-Peppo games, owner Bradley has made arrangements to have the results posted in the afternoon. The game in Washington will start at the same time as the double-header here, and those who attend the game this afternoon can follow both double-headers simultaneously.

Mount and Hay and several others of the Battle Axe players are expected to get away at 12 o'clock to-morrow, as they expected to do, but will leave on an early train this morning accompanied by a goodly number of rooters. Dr. Parker, manager of the Axes and Secretary Hooper, of the commission, got away on schedule time.

The Battle Axe players are in good form for to-day's double bill. They do not go to Washington with any fear of the results, although they look upon the Peppo as worthy opponents. The pitchers of the Peppo have not twirled any remarkable games during the capital city season, and in most instances have been touched for from eight to twelve hits. It is safe to say that if they allow as many as eight hits to the Battle Axe players today that Dr. Parker's boys will win one, if not both, of the games.

The Peppo will come to Richmond Saturday for the second double-header of the series, and local admirers will turn out in large numbers to encourage the Battle Axe boys.

FIELD DAY FOR CASTRO'S CLUB

Bat Ball Hard and Score at Will While Foxen Holds Shipbuilders.

Newport News, Va., September 6.—Portsmouth batted the ball to all corners of the lot today, getting the doubles, three, triples and fourteen singles. Foxen kept the hits well scattered and the visitors won, 12 to 2. The score:

AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Carney, ss.	4	1	3	5
Humphreys, 1b.	4	1	3	5
Hooker, cf.	4	1	2	0
Mattie, lf.	4	1	3	1
Lake, c.	4	0	2	0
Auley, 3b.	4	0	1	2
Lusk, 2b.	4	2	7	0
Morrissey, 1b.	3	1	3	1
Miller, p.	0	0	0	0
Revelle, p.	3	1	0	0
Totals	32	8	27	19

AB.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Keating, ss.	4	2	10	2
Higgins, 1b.	4	5	8	0
Wells, 3b.	4	1	4	0
Nixon, 2b.	4	1	4	0
Timman, lf.	4	1	4	0
Garvin, c.	4	2	0	0
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World's Series Oct. 8.

St. Louis, September 6.—The series for the world's championship will begin October 8, according to President B. H. Johnson, of the American League, in a letter to a local paper. The American League pennant winner will not engage in a post-season series with a picked team of the league, says President Johnson. Mr. Johnson's letter follows:

"A series of exhibition games for the champions of the American League and the National League would be impossible. In the East the championship race closes October 5, and in the West on the following day. The series for the world's championship will begin October 8."

BUSSEY TWIRLS SPLENDID GAME

Allows the Tars Only Four Hits, While Poole Is Hit Hard.

GRAFF KNOCKS HOME RUN

Umpire McNamara Decidedly Off in His Work—Double-Header To-Day.

Virginia League

RESULTS YESTERDAY: Richmond, 5; Norfolk, 1; Roanoke, 2; Portsmouth, 0.

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.	Last
Roanoke	8	54	.507	.529
Petersburg	7	53	.550	.572
Richmond	7	53	.550	.572
Norfolk	6	54	.521	.543
Portsmouth	6	53	.560	.581
Newport News	4	52	.459	...

WHERE THEY PLAY TO-DAY: Norfolk at Richmond (2 games); Roanoke at Petersburg (2 games); Portsmouth at Newport News (2 games).

Harvey Bussey surprised himself and a good-sized crowd at Broad Street Park yesterday by twirling the Colts to a victory over Norfolk in one hour and twenty minutes of play. Bussey allowed but four scattered hits, which netted one run, while the Griffin men found Poole for a total of two hits, one a home run by the left fielder, setting the score at 1-0.

Behind Bussey were his teammates playing with vim. The fielding was fast, especially Strain's catch of the ball, getting the runner out at second. Drive to left in the sixth inning. Burke's hard run and catch of Walters' drive to near the right field fence in the sixth, and the double play, Bussey to Griffin to Garman, retiring Keller at second and Kiefer at first in the third inning.

Both clubs suffered on call of balls and strikes by Umpire McNamara, at different stages during the game. His decision in calling Strain out at the plate in the sixth inning was raw. The ball beat Strain to Braun by a fraction of a second, but Braun dropped the ball and grabbed it after McNamara had declared the runner out. Norfolk put one run across in the first inning, and after that zero marks were all they could gain. With two men down, Hinton drew a pass and Gordon hit to right garden for two bases. Hinton scored. Walters went out, McComas to Garman.

Graft in Luck.

The Colts went out in order in the first two innings. In the third Strain hit to left field for two bases. Lucia sacrificed, Bussey fanned. Graft hit to Gordon in center, the ball bounced back as Gordon reached for it and hurrying over his head, went to the bleachers, allowing Graft to make the circuit. Garman hit through third and Burke died to Gordon.

Another run came in the fifth when Lucia hit over third; Bussey went out, Kiefer to Burke; Graft hit over third. Garman made a drive to Hinton. Graft was caught at second; Lucia scored. Burke, drove the ball to short, and Garman went out at second.

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PIEDMONT SHOW A REAL SUCCESS

Splendid Exhibits, While Upper-ville and Middleburg Vie With Each in Pageant.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Upperville, Va., September 6.—The Piedmont Hunt Show, held on the Grafton Hall grounds at Upperville yesterday, was voted by all present to be the most entertaining and far ahead of anything of the kind ever given in this part of the State before. By the noon hour the large grounds were packed to their fullest capacity.

The horse show events in the hunter, heavy draft and pure classes, were good, and elicited the usual enthusiasm and applause, but it was in the "comical" pageant display, between the two neighborhoods of Middleburg and Upperville, that the crowd went wild with delight.

The Middleburg parade, consisting of floats drawn by four and six wheel horses, appropriate characters, mounted and aboot led by a brass band, was the first to enter the ring. The parade represented, and well represented, the history of Virginia in every epoch from its earliest settlement to the present era. The display was finely conceived and beautifully worked out and executed.

Upperville, with a larger parade, with no special theme, her designs seemed to show just a little more liberty of thought and originality. The parade was more varied and decorated and more spectacular. They caught the eye of the judges and won the prize. The contest was for a \$100 prize.

Below is given a list of premiums: Heavy draft mare and colt—First, W. H. Fletcher, second, Seaton Bros.; third, M. G. Richardson.

Heavy draft, three years and under—First, Glenwood, second, Seaton Bros.; third, M. G. Richardson.

General utility farm and driving—First, W. H. Fletcher, second, M. G. Richardson, third, R. C. Hall.

Hunters, three years and under—First, Mrs. H. Rogers, second, W. H. Fletcher, third, R. C. Hall.

Driving class, ponies 14-2—First, Dr. H. H. Skinner, second, J. R. Skinner, third, Mrs. H. H. Skinner.

Green hunters, all ages, thirty-one entries—First, Dr. H. H. Skinner, second, Dr. H. H. Skinner, third, Dr. H. H. Skinner.

Combination saddle and harness—First, T. H. H. Skinner, second, T. H. H. Skinner, third, T. H. H. Skinner.

Children's riding contest—First, Mrs. H. H. Skinner, second, Mrs. H. H. Skinner, third, Mrs. H. H. Skinner.

Park saddle—First, T. H. H. Skinner, second, T. H. H. Skinner, third, T. H. H. Skinner.

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JOE WOOD WINS DUEL AGAINST W. JOHNSON M'GRAW GAINS CAME

Peerless Walter Bows in Defeat Before Red Sox Phenom—Both Pitch Grand Ball but Bostonian Steadier in Pinches—Though Cubs Win, Giants Gain, Taking Two from Phillies.

Philadelphia, September 6.—New York again won both games of a double-header here to-day, giving them five victories out of six contests in three days in this city. The double defeat sent the Phillies into the cellar, losing the series to the Yankees. New York won the series by a 3-2 margin. The first game was a 3-2 victory, and the second a 3-2 victory. The Yankees won the series by a 3-2 margin.

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